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PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY (PENZANCE DIVISION)

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 1968.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1968, in compliance with Ministry of Health Form Port 20.

SECTION I - (STAFF)

Dr. J.A. Reid was appointed your Medical Officer of Health for the year ending 31st March 1969.

SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT WITHIN THE YEAR

TABLE 'B'

Ships from	Number	Net Tonnage	Number Inspected By M.O.H.	Number Inspected By Public Health Inspector	Number of Ships inspected as Having or having had during the voyage Infectious Disease on Board.
British Coastwise	357	177,451	18	38	NIL
Foreign Coastwise	95	19,416	25	22	NIL
Foreign Fishing	301	6,400			
	753	203,267	43	60	NIL

SECTION III - CHARACTER OF TRADE AND SHIPPING DURING THE YEAR

Character of Shipping - The shipping using Penzance Harbour comprises mainly small Coastwise vessels up to approximately 500 net registered tons. There is a passenger and cargo service to the Isles of Scilly, which is daily in summer and three-times-weekly in winter, and additionally there is a Trinity House Depot and a Lighthouse Tender based permanently in the Harbour area. There is a Dry-Dock which can accommodate ships of up to 240 feet in length which is continuously in use and the Wet-Dock is used for repairs for ships afloat. At Newlyn small coastwise and foreign going vessels call to load crushed stone from the Newlyn Quarry. At Newlyn, British, French and Belgian trawlers and small French crabbers land fish for sale at the Fish Market there and generally use Newlyn Harbour as a Harbour of refuge. The locally registered fishing fleet now comprises 108 vessels from 70 feet downwards, engaged in fishing operations from middle water trawling to local crabbing and long lining. This figure appears to be decreasing slowly.

Character of Trade - Imports at Penzance are Coal, Cement, artifical manures, and general goods from Home and Foreign ports, and

general goods from Home and Foreign ports, and flowers and vegetables from the Isles of Scilly. Exports from Newlyn are crushed stone of Home and Foreign ports and shell-fish (lobsters) to France. Exports from Penzance are general goods to the Isles of Scilly. There is an active Fish Market at Newlyn Harbour. The only passenger traffic in the Port Authority Area is that to and from the Isles of Scilly in the R.M.S. "Scillonian" and "Queen of the Isles". There is no passenger traffic between your ports and any foreign port.

TABLE 'C'

Passenger Traffic	Outwards) Inwards)	approximately 35,300 Day Trippers, holiday and business passengers to and from the Isles of Scilly during the past year. In addition between 25 and 30 thousand passengers use the ships for stays in the Isles of Scilly exceeding one day.
Cargo Traffic -	Principal Imports -	Coal, cement, artificial manures, wood, general goods, flowers, vegetables, fish.
	Principal Exports -	General goods to the Isles of Scilly; Crushed stone to Home and Foreign Ports. Crushed stone exported amounts to 300,000 to 350,000 tons. This figure is approximately static.
	Principal Ports	from which ships arrive - Home Ports and Channel Ports of France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. There is virtually no direct trade with ports outside the home trade limits with the exception of occasional cargoes of box-wood from Southern and Eastern Europe.

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

None

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

No Change

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952

No Change

SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

1. Cases of Smallpox would be sent to the County Isolation Hospital at Truro.
2. Ambulance Transport and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews are the responsibility of the Cornwall County Council.
3. The County Medical Officer of Health - who has a panel of four Consultants - would be requested to supply the services of a smallpox consultant.
4. Facilities for the Laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox are available at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary Truro.

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

No Change

SECTION IX - NOTIFIABLE OR OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

No case of notifiable or infectious disease during the year 1968.

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

Nil Return

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

Nil Return

SECTION XII - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

No facilities for de-ratting of ships exist at Penzance or Newlyn.

Ships visited by Rodent Officer	28
Rodents killed in dock area warehouses	75

TABLES 'E' AND 'F'

Nil returns

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE 'G'

INSPECTION OF NUISANCES

	Nature and Number of Inspections	Notices served Statutory Notices	Other Results of Serving Notices
Ships from Foreign Ports	28	Nil	Nil
Coastwise Ships	11	Nil	Nil
TOTAL	39	Nil	Nil

SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1938

Not applicable

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Not applicable

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

Nil Return

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) J.A. Reid.

No cases of notifiable or infectious disease during the year 1938.

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

Nil Return

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

Nil Return

SECTION XII - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS (RAT-PROOFING WORK)

No facilities for de-ratting of ships exist at Penzance or Newlyn.

Ships visited by Rodent Officer	39
Rodents killed in dock area warehouses	75

TABLE 'E' AND 'F'

Nil returns

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

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INSPECTION OF NUISANCES

	Number of Inspections	Defects found	Defects remedied	Statutory Notices served	Other Results of Service Notices
Ships (Crew Accommodation)	39	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Foreign Ports	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Coastwise Ships	28	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL	78	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1938

Not applicable

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

Not applicable

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

Nil Return

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